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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 253.

Line 34, "steroid substrate comprises" should read -- steroid comprises --.

Line 37, "3-dialkoxy-5,7-lactone" should read -- 3-dialkoxy-5,7-lactone --.

Column 254.

Line 1, please add a space between "--" and "represents".

Column 255.

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Column 256.

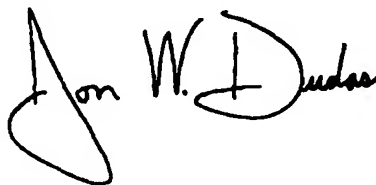
Lines 2 and 40, please add a space between "--" and "represents".

Lines 3 and 41, "alpha- or beta-oriented" should read -- alpha- or beta-oriented --.

Line 34, "--CHR<sup>4</sup> CHR<sup>5</sup>-" should read -- -CHR<sup>4</sup>-CHR<sup>5</sup>- --.

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looped initial "J" and a distinct "D" at the end.

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